

Dipika Damerla nominated as Ontario Liberal candidate for Mississauga East-Cooksville

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Mississauga member of provincial parliament Dipika Damerla has been nominated to run for re-election for the Mississauga East-Cooksville riding.

Member of the Ontario Liberal Party, Damerla celebrated her nomination at the Burnamthorpe Library in Mississauga on Jan. 21.

"This election is about people and about fairness," said Damerla. "It's about how we make sure everyone has the opportunity to succeed in this province. That's why I will continue to fight so every individual and family has the ability to work, live and raise a family in Mississauga, both now and in the future."

Damerla was first elected MPP for the Mississauga



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Mississauga East-Cooksville MPP Dipika Damerla has been nominated to run for the Ontario Liberals in the 2018 election.

East-Cooksville riding in 2011, beating Progressive Conservative candidate Zoran Churchin. Upon her election, she served as parliamentary assistant to the minister of infrastructure.

Re-elected in 2014, Damerla served as associate minister of health and long-

term care. She currently serves as the minister of seniors affairs.

"I've worked hard to push for the much-needed expansion of the Mississauga Hospital, have continually championed investments in important local infrastructure such as new trains on the Milton GO line and the Hurontario LRT, and have made a strong push to ensure rental and condo residents are aware of their rights," said Damerla in a news release.

Ontario Progressive Conservative candidate for Mississauga East-Cooksville will be Kaleed Rasheed, a 13-year resident of Cooksville with a background in banking, telecommunication and the service sector.

The provincial election will take place on June 7, 2018.